

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

MODIFICATION OF MAIL CLASSIFICATION DOCKET NO. MC2015-42
SCHEDULE REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF NEW
FOREVER STAMPS

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Respectfully submitted,

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The following are my comments on the Notice and Order Concerning Mail Classification Schedule Related to the Issuance of New Forever Stamps.

When the Postal Service issued the first Forever Stamps covering a one ounce letter, the original proposal indicated that the Forever Stamp would be valid for the postage on a one ounce machinable First-Class Mail letter and only for such a letter. During the litigation of that request, the Postal Service changed their proposal to allow the use of the Forever Stamp to be valid for any mailing that authorized the use of postage stamps and at a postage value equal to the current rate for a one ounce letter.

With the current request to add five additional Forever Stamps, I wanted to ensure that the same conditions would exist with the new Forever Stamps, namely that the stamps would be valid for any postage stamp use in addition to the primary use of the stamp and at the postage value of the primary use of the stamp.

I also wanted clarification that the new stamps would be inscribed with a “forever” type wording and not with a numerical value of the postage amount.

The Postal Service has provided such assurance and therefore I support their request.